

## National Federation of Plus Area

### Pre AGM Meeting

19 February 2011, The Hind Hotel Wellingborough

Present

#### **Vice President**

Gerry Edwards

#### **General Purpose Committee**

Adrian Barnard

James Oliver

#### **National Executive Committee**

Matt Dickinson

Chris Mann

Erica Knight

John Smith – Northern Area Representative

#### **1 Open Meeting**

Adrian opened the meeting at 9.15am welcomed those present

#### **2 Apologies for Absence and Lateness**

##### **Absence**

Mark Harrington – National Finance Officer

Janet Rintoul – Southern Area Chair

##### **Lateness**

None

#### **3 Acknowledgement of Proxies**

John Smith – Northern Area Representative

#### **4 Action List**

#### **5 Amendment and Acceptance of Minutes of the November Meeting**

Adrian Barnard pointed out the national diary section was head as area diary.

The November meeting minutes were not approved since they were not issued in time to the NEC therefore they will be approved at the May 2011 meeting

#### **6 Matters Arising**

None

#### **7 Review of the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Paperwork**

**7.1 Minutes**

The NEC no errors in the minutes as published. No comments on the reports issued to conference.

## **7.2 Preview of the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Agenda**

It was commented that 2010 was still on the template for the agenda for some of items.

Comments about the various emails which the NEC has received the past few days from people in Southern Area. Matt Dickinson agreed to let Gerry Edwards chair the Vote for Chairman in order to allow the conference to be run more smoothly.

**Stevenage Motion:** James Oliver said that Stevenage Plus group will be presented the motion with Barnet Plus seconding the motion. Gerry Edwards Vice President said that the motion as Eric has written was not 75 % but 50 %. Gerry said that a follow up would be need to presented to the conference after this motion if it was passed. This would be need to be done as an emergency motion which would be 75% since Eric original motion did not explicit require the area's to enforce the passing of the motion. Gerry Edwards – Vice President said that he would ask Eric to write the follow up motion during the conference so that if the motion was passed it could be implemented straight away.

**Business Plan:** Adrian Barnard said this would be done just as quick discussion if we have time, to leave any detail discussion to the May NEC meeting.

**Facility for National Debate:** James Oliver reported that Francis Wallington will be trying to get a debate activities starting on group nights, John Smith was asked to give a short presentation on the Golden Circle,

## **8 Honorary Officials**

### **8.1 Deputy National Chairman**

Matt Dickinson of North Thames & Chiltern Area as still the longest serving NEC chairman

Carried Unanimously

### **8.2 Vice Presidents**

Gerry Edwards

Francis Wallington

Proposed by North Thames & Chiltern Area

Seconded by Northern Area

Carried Unanimously

### **8.3 Independent Examiner of the Federation Accounts**

Katie Hawkins

Its was agreed to Speak to Mark Harrington to see if Katie Hawkins has been asked to carry on for 2011.

## **9 Awards**

Adrian Barnard suggested that theses are left to after conference has finished before they are decided.

## **10 Any Other Business**

There was no other business. James Oliver reported back that the hotel does not have a digital projector to use for the Business Plan presentation.

**11 Close Meeting**

Adrian Closed the meeting at 10.03am where upon the NEC went to the main conference hall for the main conference.

**12 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting**

The next NEC meeting will be held on the 14 May 2011 at Coventry Business Centre starting at 10.00am